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FM AMEMBASSY TOKYO

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C O N F I D E N T I A L TOKYO 18131

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SUBJECT: JAPAN-PRC PEACE FRIENDSHIP TREATY: AMB CHEN'S REMARKS

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1. THE ITALIAN MESSAGE IN REFTEL WAS SLIGHTLY GARBLED SINCE PRC AMB CHEN CHU LEFT TOKYO SUDDENLY OCT 7 BEFORE FONMIN MIYAZAWA'S NOV 7 STATEMENT IN THE DIET AND HAS STILL NOT RETURNED. CONCLUSION DRAWN IN REFTEL THAT PRC MIGHT OPPOSE A UNILATERAL STATEMENT BY GOJ, NEVERTHELESS, COULD CERTAINLY PROVE TO BE ACCURATE. IN ABSENCE OF REACTION THOUGH, FONOFF (FUJITA) IS INCLINED TO VIEW PEKING'S SILENCE WITH SOME OPTIMISM.

2. CHEN'S LENGTHY ABSENCE FROM TOKYO HAS BEEN CAUSE OF CONSIDERABLE INTEREST IN FONOFF. CHARGE MI KUO-CHUN TOLD MIYAZAWA EARLY THIS MONTH THAT AMB CHEN WAS IN HIS NATIVE PROVINCE OF SHENYANG. LATER FONOFF OFFICIALS WERE TOLD BY MI THAT CHEN WAS ON AN INSPECTION TOUR OF FACTORIES. JAPANESE SPECULATION ON REASONS FOR EXTENDED ABSENCE RANGE FROM SICKNESS TO POLITICAL DISFAVOR.

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GOJ CABINET RESEARCH BUREAU REGARDS CHEN AS ALLY OF

CHIANG CHING AND SOME ANALYSTS ATTRIBUTE HIS ABSENCE TO
HER WANING POLITICAL FORTUNES. THERE IS ALSO SOME
SPECULATION THAT CHEN IS IN PEKING'S DISFAVOR BECAUSE
OF HIS HANDLING OF THE PFT NEGOTIATIONS.

3. PRESS HAS GUESSED, WE SOULD SAY REASONABLY, THAT VISIT
BY SOVIET FONMIN GROMYKO TO TOKYO JAN 9 MIGHT PROMPT
PEKING TO SEND ITS AMBASSADOR BACK TO TOKYO. SHOULD
CHEN RETURN, WE ASSUME THAT HE WOULD BE PREPARED TO GIVE
GOJ A READING OF REACTION IN PEKING TO MIYAZAWA'S APPROACH
TO HANDLING "HEGEMONY."
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